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13:1 And it came
to pass after
seven days, I
dreamed a
dream by night:

13:2 And, lo,
there arose a
wind from the
sea, that it

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**moved all the
waves thereof.**

13:3 And I
beheld, and, lo,
that man waxed
strong with the
thousands of
heaven: and
when
he turned his
countenance to

**look, all the
things trembled
that were seen
under him.**

**13:4 And
whensoever the
voice went out of
his mouth, all
they burned that
heard his voice,
like as the earth**

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**faileth when it
feeleth the fire.**

13:5 And after
this I beheld,
and, lo, there
was gathered
together a
multitude of
men, out of
number, from
the four winds of

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**the heaven, to
subdue the man
that came out of
the sea **13:6** But I
beheld, and, lo,
he had graved
himself a great
mountain, and
flew up upon it.
13:7 But I would
have seen the**

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**region or place
whereout the hill
was graven, and
I could not.**

13:8 And after
this I beheld,
and, lo, all they
which were
gathered
together to
subdue him were

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**sore afraid, and
yet durst fight.**

13:9 And, lo, as
he saw the
violence of the
multitude that
came, he neither
lifted up his
hand, nor held
sword, nor any
instrument of

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war: 13:10 But only I saw that he sent out of his mouth as it had been a blast of fire, and out of his lips a flaming breath, and out of his tongue he cast out sparks and tempests.

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13:11 And they
were all mixed
together; the
blast of fire, the
flaming breath,
and the great
tempest; and fell
with violence
upon the
multitude which
was prepared to

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**fight, and burned
them up every
one, so that
upon a sudden
of an
innumerable
multitude
nothing was to
be perceived,
but only dust
and smell of**

**smoke: when I
saw this I
was afraid.**

13:12 Afterward
saw I the same
man come down
from the
mountain, and
call unto him
another
peaceable

Multitude.

13:13 And there
came much
people unto him,
whereof some
were glad, some
were sorry, and
some of them
were bound, and
other some
brought of them

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**that were
offered: then
was I sick
through great
fear, and I
awaked, and
said, **13:** **14** Thou
hast shewed thy
servant these
wonders from
the beginning,**

**and hast
counted me
worthy that thou
shouldest
receive my
prayer:**

13:15 Shew me
now yet the
interpretation
of this dream.

13:16 For as I

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**conceive in mine
understanding,
woe unto them
that shall be left
in those days
and much more
woe unto them
that are not left
behind! **13:17** For
they that were
not left were in**

heaviness.

13:18 Now
understand I the
things that are
laid up in the
latter days,
which shall
happen unto
them, and to
those that are
left behind.

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13:19 Therefore
are they come
into great perils
and many
necessities, like
as these dreams
declare. **13:20** Yet
is it easier for
him that is in
danger to come
into these

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**things, than to
pass away as a
cloud out of the
world, and not to
see the things
that happen in
the last days.**

**And he
answered unto
me, and said,**

13:21 The

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**interpretation of
the vision shall I
shew thee, and I
will open unto
thee the thing
that thou hast
required.**

13:22 Whereas
thou hast
spoken of them
that are left

**behind, this
is the
interpretation:
13:23 He that
shall endure the
peril in that time
hath kept
himself: they
that be fallen
into danger are
such as have**

**works, and faith
toward the
Almighty.**

13:24 Know this
therefore, that
they which be
left behind are
more blessed
than they that be
dead. **13:25** This
is the meaning

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**of the vision:
Whereas thou
sawest a man
coming up from
the midst of the
sea: 13:26 The
same is he
whom God the
Highest hath
kept a great
season, which**

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**by his own self
shall deliver his
creature: and he
shall order them
that are left
behind.**

**13:27 And
whereas thou
sawest, that out
of his mouth
there came as a**

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**blast of wind,
and fire, and
storm; 13:28 And
that he held
neither sword,
nor any
instrument of
war, but that the
rushing in of him
destroyed the
whole multitude**

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**that came to
subdue him; this
is the**

interpretation:

13:29 Behold, the
days come,
when the most
High will begin
to deliver them
that are upon the
earth. **13:30** And

**he shall come
to the
astonishment of
them that dwell
on the earth.**

**13:31 And one
shall undertake
to fight against
another, one city
against another,
one place**

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**against another,
one people
against another,
and one realm
against another.**

**13:32 And the
time shall be
when these
things shall
come to pass,
and the signs**

**shall happen
which I shewed
thee before, and
then shall my
Son be declared,
whom thou
sawest as a man
ascending.**

**13:33 And when
all the people
hear his voice,**

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**every man shall
in their own land
leave the battle
they have one
against another.**

13:34 And an
innumerable
multitude shall
be gathered
together, as thou
sawest them,

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**willing to come,
and to overcome
him by fighting.**

13:35 But he
shall stand upon
the top of the
mount Sion.

13:36 And Sion
shall come, and
shall be shewed
to all men, being

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**prepared and
builded, like as
thou sawest the
hill graven
without hands.**

13:37 And this
my Son shall
rebuke the
wicked
inventions of
those nations,

**which for their
wicked life are
fallen into the
tempest;**

13:38 **And shall
lay before them
their evil
thoughts, and
the torments
wherewith they
shall begin to be**

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**tormented,
which are like
unto a flame:
and he shall
destroy them
without labour
by the law which
is like unto me.**

**13:39 And
whereas thou
sawest that he**

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**gathered another
peaceable
multitude unto
him; 13:40 Those
are the ten
tribes, which
were carried
away prisoners
out of their own
land in the time
of Osea the king,**

**whom
Salmanasar the
king of Assyria
led away captive,
and he carried
them over the
waters, and so
came they into
another land.**

**13:41 But they
took this**

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counsel among themselves, that they would leave the multitude of the heathen, and go forth into a further country, where never mankind dwelt,
13:42 **That they might there keep**

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**their statutes,
which they never
kept in their own
land. 13:43 And
they entered into
Euphrates by the
narrow places of
the river.**

**13:44 For the
most High then
shewed signs for**

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**them, and held
still the flood, till
they were
passed over.**

13:45 **For through
that country
there was a great
way to go,
namely, of a year
and a half: and
the same region**

**is called
Arsareth.**

13:46 Then dwelt
they there until
the latter time;
and now when
they shall begin
to come,

13:47 The
Highest shall
stay the springs

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**of the stream
again, that they
may go through:
therefore sawest
thou the
multitude with
peace. 13:48 But
those that be left
behind of thy
people are they
that are found**

**within my
borders.**

13:49 Now when
he destroyeth
the multitude of
the nations that
are gathered
together, he
shall defend his
people that
remain.

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13:50 And then
shall he shew
them great
wonders.

13:51 Then said I,
O Lord that
bearest rule,
shew me this:
Wherefore have I
seen the man
coming up from

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**the midst of the
sea? 13:52 And
he said unto me,
Like as thou
canst neither
seek out nor
know the things
that are in the
deep of the sea:
even so can no
man upon earth**

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**see my Son, or
those that be
with him, but in
the day time.**

13:53 This is the
interpretation of
the dream which
thou sawest, and
whereby thou
only art here
lightened.

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13:54 For thou
hast forsaken
thine own way,
and applied thy
diligence unto
my law, and
sought it.

13:55 Thy life
hast thou
ordered in
wisdom, and

**hast called
understanding
thy mother.**

**13:56 And
therefore have I
shewed thee the
treasures of the
Highest: after
other three days
I will speak other
things unto thee,**

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**and declare unto
thee mighty and
wondrous
things.**

13:57 Then went I
forth into the
field, giving
praise and
thanks greatly
unto the most
High because of

**his wonders
which he
did in time;
13:58 And
because he
governeth the
same, and such
things as fall in
their seasons:
and there I sat
three days.**